

REMARKS

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the careful consideration given the present application.

The Examiner has required Applicants to elect a single invention for prosecution on the merits. Applicants hereby elect to proceed with Invention II, claims 6-8 without traverse.

Applicants note that the priority document submitted with the U.S. Patent Office on September 12, 2003 has not yet been acknowledged. Applicants kindly request that the Examiner acknowledge such in the next official action.

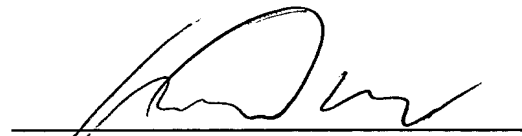
Applicants also note that initialed copies of the Form PTO-1449's submitted with the U.S. Patent Office on July 17, 2003 and February 6, 2004, respectively, have not yet been received. Applicants kindly request that the Examiner provide copies of the initialed Form PTO-1449's in the next official action.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No. 35908.

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